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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170  
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

I am a disabled veteran and must travel over 100 miles to see the doctors frequently. I must have cellular access in case of emergency. I do not use my wireless just to chat or to look important. It is an absolute necessity. I use a pre-paid service. It is already fairly expensive. I live on a very small, fixed income. Even \$1.00 more per month will radically effect my ability to maintain service. If you doubt this, as an example, I have had to discontinue some of my medications that the doctors say are necessary, simply because they are not for treatment of service-connected conditions, therefore, there is an \$8.00 co-payment per refill.

PLEASE, reconsider your proposed changes before you change the current policy. There are a great number of people just like me that do not use wireless service frivolously or make interstate calls. Do not punish us for the actions of others.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Karan Culver  
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CC: FCC Subcommittee Members